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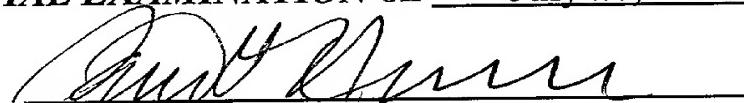


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In re Application Of : IMPROVEMENTS IN WHEELED
PAOLO M.B. TIRAMANI ET AL. : LUGGAGE AND ASSOCIATED
: DEVICES
Serial No. 09/849,740 :
Filed May 4, 2001 :

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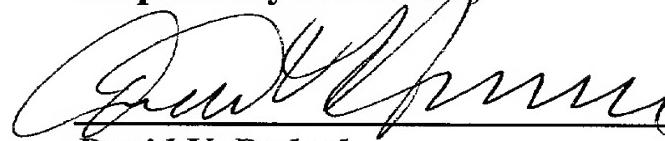
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Dear Sir:

In response to the ***NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS*** dated May 21, 2001, Applicants herewith submit formal drawings (*19 sheets w/20 figures*) and a duplicate copy of the ***NOTICE*** bearing ***Confirmation No. 9980*** in connection with the captioned application.

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Respectfully submitted,



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The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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